



Sunday, November 10, 2019

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

Bilingual Liturgy

*Erastus, Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertios, Apostles of the 70  
Orestes the Martyr of Cappadocia*

### First Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all  
that is within me bless His  
holy Name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and  
forget not all that He has  
done for you.

The Lord in heaven has prepared  
His throne, and His kingdom  
rules over all.

### Second Antiphon

Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will  
praise the Lord in my life; I  
will chant unto my God for as  
long as I have my being.

Blessed is He of whom the God  
of Jacob is his help, whose  
hope is in the Lord his God.

The Lord shall be King unto  
eternity; your God, O Zion,  
from generation  
to generation.

### Third Antiphon

This is the day the Lord has  
made; let us rejoice and be  
glad in it.

Let the heavens and the earth  
praise Him.

### HYMNS AT THE SMALL ENTRANCE

#### **The Resurrection Apolytikion, Mode 4**

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ  
Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς  
Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ  
Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Joyous tidings of Your Resurrection that the angel proclaimed to the women  
disciples and brought an end to the ancestral curse and with pride they  
declared to the disciples: Death has been defeated and Christ our God has  
risen bestowing upon the world great mercy.

#### **Troparion of Saint Sophia (Holy Wisdom)**

Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἀλιεῖς ἀναδείξας,  
καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην  
σαρηνεύσας, φιλόανθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

Blessed are You O Christ our God, Who as all wise the fishermen You  
showed forth; By sending your Holy Spirit down upon them and through  
them the universe You drew unto your net. O lover of mankind Glory to  
You.

#### **Kondakion of the Presentation of the Theotokos in the Temple**

Ὁ καθαρῶτατος ναὸς τοῦ Σωτῆρος, ἡ πολυτίμητος παστὰς καὶ Παρθένος, τὸ  
ιερὸν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τοῦ Θεοῦ, σήμερον εἰσάγεται, ἐν τῷ οἴκῳ  
Κυρίου, τὴν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τὴν ἐν Πνεύματι Θείῳ ἦν ἀνυμνοῦσιν  
Ἄγγελοι Θεοῦ· Αὕτη ὑπάρχει σκηνὴ ἐπουράνιος.

The purest temple that has brought forth the Savior, the most precious  
bridal chamber and virgin, the sacred treasury of the Glory of God. On this  
day enters in to the House of the Lord and carries with her the grace of the  
God bearing Spirit to whom the angels of God sing hymns of praise for she  
is the heavenly tabernacle.

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# Scripture Reading

*Faith comes by hearing...*

Epistle Reader: Elias Kalatzis

**Priest:** Let Us Attend...

**Reader:** O Lord, how manifold are your works...you have made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**Priest:** Wisdom.

**Reader:** The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians (2:16-20)

**Priest:** Let us be attentive...

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

## **THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE (10:25-37)**

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

# Understanding the Ten Commandments

## Part 4

### Man's Relation to God

The first four Commandments are articulated in such a way as to guide the devotion of the believer toward God. They belong to the one table, and should be recognized and accepted with reverence and fear of Almighty God, without deviation or compromise. The Lord our God demands not a part of our lives, but that the wholeness of our lives be dedicated without hesitation or reservation. By these commandments the full communion of man with God is sought. It is surprising, but at the same time a great privilege for the believer to be allowed to communicate with Almighty God, person to person; to enter the realm of the sonship; to be called a son of God, and to be designated an ambassador of God's will on earth.

### The Fourth Commandment

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy."

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son nor thy daughter, thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it."

Ex. 20:8-11.

The Fourth Commandment, to keep the Sabbath Day holy, does not suggest that the rest of the days of the week could be unholy. God wants the believers to obey His Commandments unceasingly without intervals in responsible life. The believers' deeds and thoughts should be godly in every respect, in work and play, in studies and worship, throughout the entire week, in order to be holy and worthy of the name of God. This commandment is given us to dedicate our lives, especially one whole day of the week, to the Lord; that is, to study more and more His message, to sacrifice a part of our money and pleasure, to help others in the name of Lord, to prepare ourselves for the commencement of the new week. It is a disappointing phenomenon that religious people use Saturday and Sunday for their pleasures and relaxation and for many other activities which make the days rather unholy.

On the other hand, this commandment often is misunderstood to mean that people should be motionless; on the contrary, the Sabbath Day should be set aside for active renovation of the inner world of man in prayer, confession and noble activities of good works for the benefit of one's neighbors and society at large. Our Lord Jesus Christ healed many people on the Sabbath (Luke 13:14), and gave a new interpretation to this commandment and encouraged Christians to follow in His footsteps. The Christian regards Sunday as the day of "rest", and named this day the Lord's Day because of His Resurrection, which began the restoration of moral order.

## Cling to Love

### *Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs*

Hatred is evil, because it always tolerates lying or speaking against the truth; it makes small things great, considers darkness to be light. It calls sweet things bitter, and teaches slander, war, violence, and evil. It fills the heart with devilish poison. I say these things from experience, my children, so that you will run from hatred and cling to the love of the Lord. Righteousness casts out hatred, and humility destroys hatred. For those that are righteous and humble are ashamed to do wrong. They aren't rebuked by someone else, but by their own heart, because the Lord sees their motives. They don't speak against anyone, because their fear of the Most High overcomes their hatred. Because they fear offending the Lord, they won't do anything wrong to anyone, even by their thoughts...For true, godly repentance destroys unbelief, drives away darkness, enlightens the eyes, gives knowledge to the soul, and guides the mind to salvation. Those things which it hadn't learned from people, it knows through repentance.

*Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.*

*1 John 3:15*



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### **The Mission of Saint Sophia Cathedral**

- 1. Proclaim and teach the Gospel according to the Orthodox Christian Faith*
- 2. Sanctify and enhance the spiritual life of the faithful through Orthodox Christian worship.*
- 3. Receive persons into the Church through instruction, baptism and/or chrismation.*

#### Monday, November 11

Veterans Day — Campus Closed

#### Tuesday, November 12

11:00 am — Bible Studies

#### Wednesday, November 13

*John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople*

9:00 am — Orthros

10:00 am — Divine Liturgy

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#### Sunday, November 10

8:30 am — Studies in Faith

9:45 am — Memorials

10:00 am — *Divine Liturgy*

12:30 pm — Bible Faith Studies

